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SUMMARY:

A PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE IN HOPEI IN MID-JANUARY HAS SET INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL POLICIES THAT SOUND AS THOUGH THEY MAY BE FAIRLY TYPICAL FOR PROVINCES THAT ARE REASONABLE WELL-OFF ECONOMICALLY. WHAT'S WANTED IN AGRICULTURE ARE SUSTAINED, PRACTICAL EFFORTS IN FARMLAND CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION. IN INDUSTRY IT'S A "NEW UPSURGE" IN PRODUCTION WITH ATTENTION CONCENTRATED ON THE KEY LINKS OF IRON AND STEEL, COAL, CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS AND TRACTORS. END SUMMARY

1. AGRICULTURE OF COURSE COME FIRST. THE CONFERENCE SAID HOPEI HAS ATTAINED SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN GRAIN SUPPLY WHICH MARKS A GOOD START TOWARD IMPROVING THE SITUATION IN WHICH GRAIN MUST BE SHIPPED FROM THE SOUTH. NEVERTHELESS, IT CALLS FOR QUICKENING THE PACE OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, WHICH MEANS GETTING PEOPLE MOBILIZED, GOING IN FOR LARGE-SCALE FARMLAND CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION, AND WORKING HARD. CAUTIONS ARE ALSO VOICED ABOUT PAYING ATTENTION TO EFFICIENCY AND QUALITY, LIVING CONDITIONS, AND INTERGRATING LABOR WITH REST. "FORMALISM" (FORM RATHER THAN CONTENT);

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BUREAUCRATISM) MUST NOT BE PRACTICED, AND THE WORK IS TO BE DONE IN A "SUSTAINED AND DOWN-TO-EARTH WAY.* THESE CAUTIONS, NO DOUBT BASED ON PREVIOUS EXPERIENCES, SEEM DESIGNED TO WARN CADRE OFF FROM BOTH GRANDIOSE SCHEMES AND JUST GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS. WHAT'S WANTED APPARENTLY ARE SUSTAINED, PRACTICAL EFFORTS.

2. THE CONFERENCE SAID HOPEI SATISFACTORILY FULFILLED ITS 1974 INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT PLAN. IT CLAIMED A 12.3 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE VALUE OF HOPEI(S INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT IN 1974 AND SAID THAT CAME ON TOP OF AN 11.8 PERCENT INCREASE IN 1973. THAT'S OBVIOUSLY QUITE GOOD, PARTICULARLY CONSIDERING THE GENERAL PICTURE OF INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS IN CHINA DURING 1974. NEVERTHELESS, THE CONFERENCE CALLED FOR DEEPENING THE MOVEMENT TO LEARN FROM TACHING (THE NATIONAL MODEL FOR INDUSTRY) IN ORDER TO WHIP UP A "NEW UPSURGE" IN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION.

3. IT CALLED FOR GIVING PROMINENCE TO THE IDEA OF INDUSTRY SUPPORTING AGRICULTURE AND BRINGING INTO "FULL PLAY" THE ROLE OF INDUSTRY IN PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND SPEEDING UP FARM MECHANIZATION. IT CALLS FOR A FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF BOTH BASIC INDUSTRIES AND THOSE THAT SUPPORT AGRICULTURE.

4. AT THE SAME TIME, THE CONFERENCE ALSO URGED EFFORTS TO DEVELOP LIGHT INDUSTRY. HERE THE EMPHASIS WAS ON ENSURING THE QUALITY OF THE PRODUCT AND ON IMPROVING THE MARKETING OF LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS SO AS TO MEET THE PEOPLE'S DEMANDS FOR DAY TO DAY NEEDS.

5. IN CONCLUDING THE SECTION ON INDUSTRY, THE CONFERENCE LABELED STEEL AND IRON, COAL, CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS AND TRACTORS AS KEY LINKS ON WHICH EFFORTS SHOULD BE CONCENTRATED DURING 1975 IN ORDER TO INSURE "AN ALL-ROUND DEVELOPMENT ON THE ENTIRE INDUSTRIAL FRONT".
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